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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application

Appl. No. 09/927,436; Filed: August 13, 2001

For: Highly Homogeneous Molecular Markers for Electrophoresis

Inventors: Tadayoni-Rebek *et al*.
Our Ref: 0942.5300001/RWE/AGU

Art Unit: 1645

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Information Disclosure Statement;

2. Form PTO-1449, 9 pages, listing 36 documents;

3. One copy of each of the 36 cited documents on Form PTO-1449;

4. Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings;

5. 11 Sheets of Formal Drawings with Figures 1-2, 3A-3B, 4-10;

6. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts;

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- 7. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
- 8. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
- 9. Original Declaration for Patent Application executed by the inventors;
- 10. Power of Attorney from Assignee;
- 11. Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b), with Assignment attached;
- 12. Our check no. 34356 for \$2282.00 to cover:
 - \$740.00 Filing Fee for Patent Application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)
 - \$492.00 Extra claim fee (37 C.F.R. 1.16)
 - \$130.00 Surcharge for late filing of Declaration (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)
 - \$920.00 For Extension fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136; and
- 13. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$484.
 - \$324 for 18 total claims over 20.
 - \$160 for 2 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1324.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom

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Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Mitra TADAYONI-REBEK, Joseph W. AMSHEY and Regina ROONEY
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee.
Date: x 1/31/2002
Name: Alan W. Hammond
Title: Chief Intellectual Property Counsel
Signature: x Clan Hamman



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Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings

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Sir:

Submitted herewith are 11 sheets of formal drawings with Figures 1-2, 3A-3B and 4-10, corresponding to the informal drawings submitted with the above-captioned application. Identification of the drawings is provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(c). Acknowledgment of the receipt, approval, and entry of these formal drawings into this application is respectfully requested.

It is not believed that an extension of time is required, other than any already provided herewith. However, if an extension of time is needed to prevent abandonment of the application, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this Letter is enclosed.

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